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STATE PARKS RECOMMENDS \$3.9 MILLION IN LOCAL PROJECTS

Forty Years of Helping California Families and Children

SACRAMENTO –California Department of Parks and Recreation Director Ruth Coleman today announced recommendations for funding for \$3.9 million for 30 local parks projects under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program.

“For the children of California, this is one of the most significant federal recreation programs in place across the nation,” said Coleman. “These funds reach from Washington to the neighborhoods of our cities, providing quality recreational facilities. We strongly encourage continued support and funding for this important program.”

Over the past 40 years, California has received \$275 million, providing for more than 1,500 projects in hundreds of cities across the state. Those projects include such things as sports fields, playgrounds, hiking and biking trails, ball field lighting, picnic areas and more. Last year, California received just over \$11 million.

The federally-funded program provides money to federal agencies and to the 50 states and six territories. The money allocated to the states may be used for statewide planning and for acquiring and developing outdoor recreation areas and facilities. In California, 60 percent is required to be allocated for Southern California and 40 percent for Northern California. Cities, counties and special districts are eligible to apply. The program requires a dollar-for-dollar match.

Under the provisions of state law, the program is administered in California by the Director of the State Department of Parks and Recreation. Funds for the program are derived from federal recreation fees, sales of federal surplus real property, the federal motorboat fuels tax and the Outer Continental Shelf mineral receipts.

The program, which is administered nationally by the National Park Service, became effective in January 1965 and is now in its 40th year. It was initially authorized for a 25-year period, and has been extended for another 25 years, to January 2015.

Below is a listing of projects that have been recommended for funding to the National Park Service for 2005:

Energy Field Development	City of Anaheim	\$350,000
The City of Anaheim will develop Energy Field by constructing picnic areas, trail, playfields, playground, and support facilities.		
Volonte Park Development	City of Anderson	\$45,000
The City of Anderson will develop Volonte Park by constructing ballfield lighting and support facilities.		
Galindo Creek Trail Development	City of Concord	\$200,000
The City of Concord will develop Galindo Creek Trail by constructing a trail and support facilities.		
Fairview Park Development	City of Costa Mesa	\$225,000
The City of Costa Mesa will develop Fairview Park by constructing trails, interpretive center and support facilities.		
Culver West Park Development	City of Culver City	\$123,000
The City of Culver City will develop Culver West Park by constructing a trail, picnic area, open space for field sports and support facilities.		
Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park	East Bay R.P.D.	\$200,000
East Bay RPD will acquire approximately 104 acres of land for Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park.		
Rio Hondo River Park	City of El Monte	\$224,000
The City of El Monte will develop Rio Hondo River Park by constructing a hiking/biking trail, picnic areas, natural area and support facilities.		
Palm Street Park Development	City of Hesperia	\$200,000
The City of Hesperia will develop Palm Street Park by constructing a trail, picnic areas, open turf space and related support facilities.		
Flint Canyon Development	City of La Canada Flintridge	\$125,000
The City of La Canada Flintridge will develop a hiking/horse/bicycle trail and support facilities at Flint Canyon Trail.		
Quail Meadows Trail Development	City of Lincoln	\$94,775
The City of Lincoln will develop Quail Meadows Trail by constructing a trail and support facilities.		

Virginia Corridor Park Development	City of Modesto	\$43,000
The City of Modesto will develop Virginia Corridor Park by constructing picnic areas and support facilities.		
Sears Park Development	North of the River R.P.D.	\$50,435
The North of the River R.P.D. will develop Sears Park by constructing a playground, picnic areas and related support facilities.		
Elfin Forrest Recreational Reserve	Olivenhain MWD	\$68,500
Olivenhain Municipal Water District will develop Elfin Forrest Recreational Reserve by constructing an interpretive center and support facilities.		
Santee Lakes Development	Padre Dam MWD	\$40,630
Padre Dam Municipal Water District will develop Santee Lakes Recreational Preserve by constructing a trail and support facilities.		
Long Canyon Parkland Acquisition	Rancho Simi R.P.D.	\$170,000
Rancho Simi R.P.D. will acquire approximately. 42.4 acres of land for Long Canyon Parkland.		
Elm Park Development	City of Richmond	\$128,241
The City of Richmond will develop Elm Park by constructing a playground, playfields, picnic area and support facilities.		
Reid Park Development	City of Riverside	\$125,000
The City of Riverside will develop Reid Park by constructing a hiking/bicycle trail and support facilities.		
La Sierra Park Development	City of Riverside	\$149,994
The City of Riverside will develop La Sierra Park by constructing a tot lot/playground and support facilities.		
Fairmount Park Development	City of Riverside	\$100,000
The City of Riverside will develop Fairmont Park by constructing a group picnic shelter and support facilities.		
Verano Creek Park Development	City of Sacramento	\$150,000
The City of Sacramento will develop Verano Creek Park to construct a picnic area, playfield and support facilities.		

Azalea Neighborhood Park	City of San Diego	\$70,000
The City of San Diego will develop Azalea Neighborhood Park by constructing a picnic area with support facilities		
Micke Grove Park Development	County of San Joaquin	\$150,000
The County of San Joaquin will develop Micke Grove Park by constructing a picnic area with a group shelter, family picnic sites and support facilities.		
Prentice Park Development	City of Santa Ana	\$75,000
The City of Santa Ana will develop Prentice Park by constructing picnic areas and support facilities.		
Santiago Park Nature Reserve	City of Santa Ana	\$150,000
The City of Santa Ana will develop Santiago Park by constructing an amphitheatre and support facilities.		
Wheeler Street Park Development	City of Seaside	\$46,750
The City of Seaside will develop Wheeler Street Park by constructing tennis courts and support facilities.		
Tomales Community Park Development	Tomales Village CSD	\$86,387
The Tomales Village CSD will develop Tomales Community Park by constructing a playground, picnic areas, playfields, natural area and support facilities.		
Charles F. Kennedy Park Development	City of Union City	\$55,000
The City of Union City will develop Charles F. Kennedy Park by constructing a picnic area and support facilities.		
Pleasants Valley Park Acquisition	City of Vacaville	\$156,887
The City of Vacaville will acquire approximately 60 acres of land for Pleasants Valley Park.		
Townsite Park Development	City of Vista	\$125,000
The City of Vista will develop Townsite Park by constructing a synthetic soccer field and support facilities.		
Dubach Park Development	City of Woodland	\$225,000
The City of Woodland will develop Dubach Park by constructing softball fields and support facilities.		
Total		\$3,952,599